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SUBJECT: U.S. VOTE ON WHO 1978 BUDGET

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1. AS SUGGESTED PARA 3 REFTTEL, WE INFORMALLY RAISED U.S. CONCERNS OVER PROPOSED INCREASE IN WHO REGULAR BUDGET FOR 1978 WITH UN DEPARTMENT, FCO, MAY 12. FCO OFFICIALS THANKED US FOR CLEAR EXPOSITION OF U.S. VIEWS CONTAINED PARA 2 REFTTEL AND SAID THIS WOULD NECESSITATE THEIR TAKING A FURTHER LOOK AT THE FIGURES INVOLVED. THEY MADE IT CLEAR, HOWEVER, THAT THEY CONTINUE TO HAVE SERIOUS DOUBTS

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OVER CONCEPT OF THE "PAUSE" IN GROWTH OF UN SPECIALIZED AGENCY BUDGETS WHICH U.S. HAS FLOATED IN GENEVA GROUP MEETINGS.

2. ACCORDING TO UN DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS, UK MISSION GENEVA SHOULD HAVE MADE IT CLEAR TO U.S. MISSION THAT SUGGESTION THAT UN SPECIALIZED AGENCIES HOLD THEIR BUD-

GETS CONSTANT DURING A REFLECTIVE PERIOD OF CONSOLIDATION OF TWO YEARS IS UNACCEPTABLE. THEY FEEL "INDICATIVE FIGURE" TARGETS SHOULD BE FLEXIBLE FOR EACH AGENCY AND THAT IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO LUMP UN SPECIALIZED AGENCIES TOGETHER ON AN EQUITABLE BASIS. THOUGH THEY WILL RECONSIDER QUESTION IN LIGHT OF OUR APPROACH, THEIR INITIAL REACTION HAD BEEN TO ACCEPT WHAT THEY UNDERSTAND TO BE THE DIRECTOR GENERAL'S ESTIMATES OF GROWTH IN REAL TERMS OF THE WHO BUDGET OVER THE NEXT BIENNIUM, I.E. 3 PERCENT DURING FIRST YEAR AND 1 PERCENT DURING SECOND, ARRIVING AT 2 PERCENT AVERAGE FOR BIENNIUM. THEY FEEL THIS IS REASONABLE IN LIGHT OF CONFERENCE TO BE HELD DURING FIRST YEAR.

3. IN SPECIFIC REFERENCE TO PARA 2F REFTL, THEY SAID DIRECTOR GENERAL PROBABLY SHIFTED 5 MILLION DOLLARS TO DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM IN ORDER TO QUALIFY UNDER 60/40 FORMULA. THEY ADDED THAT EVEN THOUGH THERE ARE "SOME OF US" WHO ARE NOT HAPPY WITH THIS FORMULA, DIRECTOR GENERAL HAS NO CHOICE BUT TO COMPLY WITH IT. HOWEVER, IF ONE CAN SHOW THAT THE TRANSFER IS NOT JUSTIFIED UNDER THESE CRITERIA, WE WOULD BE JUSTIFIED IN RAISING OBJECTION.

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